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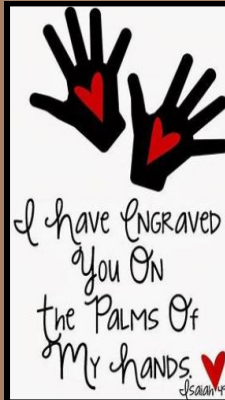
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***PLEASE JOIN US FOR WORSHIP!***  
*... and see the wonderful things happening at*  
***Pfafftown Christian Church***



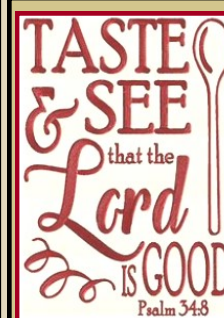
**THE VISITOR**

October

2024



Make your plans now to join us for lots of fun and fellowship on Saturday, October 26 from 5 -7 pm for our Fall Festival and Trunk or Treat. The Scout Troops will be joining and assisting us again this year. We will have the "inflatable giant slide", Go Fishing, Ghost Bowling, Witch's Toss, Face Painting, Corn Hole, Ghostly Basketball, carnival booths and other games then topped off with hotdogs, chips and popcorn! Please invite your family and friends to this special event as we celebrate the beauty of fall and Halloween in a fun and safe way. Please call Kitty Hunt, Tim Shoaf, or Cheryl Johnson for more information or if you wish to volunteer, decorate your trunk and/or make a monetary donation for candy and supplies. If you would like to assist please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex.



**TASTE & SEE BIBLE STUDY LUNCHEON**  
**Wednesday, October 9th**  
beginning at **11:30 AM** in the Downstairs Fellowship Hall. Come and join us as we study God's word over a delicious lunch! A sign-up sheet is located in the Narthex or please call the church office by October 4th.



I recently had coffee with a member from our church. We talked about a good many topics. Out of the blue I asked him, "You live miles from the church. What brings you here every week?" Without hesitating, he replied, "From the moment I walked in, I felt people's hearts. Reach out to receive me. My heart told me this was where I needed to go."

"Wow," was all I could say.

Never underestimate the strength of a heart. In sports, "heart" separates the talented from the champion. In sales, "heart" helps the client find what they truly need, not just what the salesman has to sell. In family, church, community, "heart" connects us together. Our hearts help us to understand, not just listen. Without nourishment, a heart can become hardened and lose its capacity to care. Going through our hearts is the shortest distance to God.

When asked which was the greatest commandment, Jesus answered, "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one; and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.'"

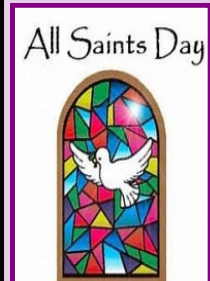
We might be a small church, but Jesus is happy that we have a big heart.

Thanks Be To God!  
*Rodney*





Since 1940, Christians have united each year on the first Sunday in October to join together to celebrate the Lord's Supper. Christians all over the world are affirming in word and deed the great love Christ bestows to *ALL*. Our lives find meaning in His purpose; our hearts find peace in His Forgiveness; our spirit find strength in His presence; and our hope in eternity finds confirmation in His death and resurrection. On this day Christians around the world will be sharing in this Holy Meal. Please join us in the Lord's Supper on **Sunday, October 6**, for World Communion Sunday as we affirm our bond of love and hope which exists between our Heavenly Father and all of our brothers and sisters in Him throughout the world. -Tim

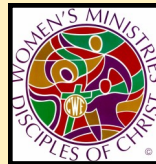


If you have a loved one that has passed away since October 21, 2023 and would like to have their names included in our **All Saints Sunday Memorial Service** on **November 3**, please call or e-mail your name (s) no later than Monday, October 27. There will also be forms located in the Narthex that you can complete and drop in the offering plate. Thank you to everyone for being a part of this beautiful and heart-warming service of remembrance. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Lynda Bryant, Worship Chair, at 336-924-4223.

**Winston-Salem/Forsyth CROP Hunger Walk**



**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20**  
at Corpening Plaza



## CWF NEWS

We had 10 beautiful ladies at our September Dinner Meeting for Senior Services Meals On Wheels Program and we have collected \$1,400 to date for the Meals on Wheels Program! Thank you so much to everyone that attended and for your donation.

Our October CWF Meeting will be **October 15th** in the **Downstairs Kitchen starting at 1:00 pm** to make tart crusts and then at **3:00 pm** to make chess tarts for the November bake sale.

*If you are willing to make something for the Frozen Foods/Bake Sale, please sign up in Narthex. These items will supplement the items we are making in our workshops at church during October and November.*

**Please mark the following important dates on your calendar!**

Beef Chili Workshop - date TBD

Twice Baked Potato Workshop-  
Friday, November 1, 2024

Beef Vegetable Soup - Friday November 8, 2024

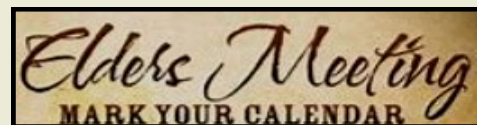
Annual Bake Sale – Saturday November 9, 2024  
10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Mrs. Kitty Hunt will also be hosting a Holiday Sale on this day.

Our next **Christian Men's Fellowship (CMF) Breakfast** will be on **Tuesday, October 22 at 9:00**

**am at Mama Zoe's Restaurant** located at 2859 Reynolda Road in Winston-Salem. **All men** are invited and encouraged to come out and join us!

### Men's Breakfast

Join us for  
food, faith, and  
fellowship



**Tuesday, October 22 at 6:30 PM**  
**Downstairs Fellowship Hall**

## Notes from Tim

The leaves, like souls, begin to change,  
From green to gold in a vast exchange;  
Autumn's embrace, a gentle reminder,  
Of our own seasons, a time to surrender.

God's hand, like the wind, guides our way,  
As we walk through life, both night and day;  
And just as the trees, we shed our fears,  
Trusting that His love will dry our tears.

For every leaf that falls to the ground,  
A new prayer rises, a hopeful sound;  
Our hearts, like branches, sway in the breeze,  
As we find solace on our spiritual knees.

I came across this poem by Grace Johnson and think it encapsulates the beauty and significance of autumn as a season of introspection. It emphasizes the parallel between the changing leaves and the transformation of our souls. Like the falling leaves, we surrender our fears and trust in God's guidance, knowing that He will carry us through the changing seasons of life.

God be with you, **Tim**

**Please Mark Your Calendars Now!**

**Chancel Choir Christmas Cantata**

*presented on*

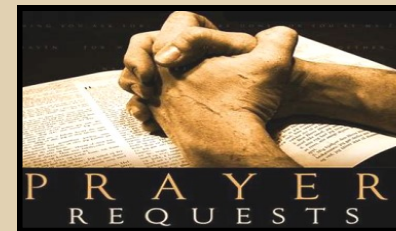
**Sunday, December 8**

**5:00 p.m.**

accompanied by Strings, Harp Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Trumpets, Timpani, & Percussion.

Jill Gardner, soprano soloist

A Reception will follow in the  
Upstairs Fellowship Hall



**Church Family:** Mel Blakley, Jack Groff, Helen Johnson, Evelyn Nifong, Jo Poplin, Doug Ramsey, Skip Stanley, Sue Terry, Betty Tilley, Julie Tilley, Mary Timmons

### Others:

Ken Barker: Friend of Rodney & Beth Stilwell  
Mike Booth: Friend of Pam Backi  
Jerrie Connelly: Sister-in-law of Betty Barker  
Isaiah Johnson: Great-Grandson of Helen Johnson  
Cayden Kingsbury: Grandson of Rodney & Beth Stilwell

Sue Miles: Friend of Jo Stanley  
Pamela Reynolds: Friend of Traci Canter  
Scott Richmond: Friend of Betty Barker  
Jan Ritchie: Sister of Jo  
Wes Snuffer: Son of Ed Snuffer  
Scott Stanley: Son of Skip & Jo Stanley  
Heather Stokes: Niece of Jill Robertson  
Joy Stokes: Sister of Jill Robertson  
Mike Stokes: Friend of Pam Backi  
Shay Whitehead: Daughter of Steve & Betty Clodfelter

*Ephesians 6:18- Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere. NLT*



## October Worship Leaders

**ELDERS:** Ruth Saalweachter,  
Leader  
Steve Clodfelter,  
Back-up

**GREETERS:** Tim & Beverly Brown

**COMMUNION STEWARDS:**  
Tim & Beverly Brown



**The Crisis Control Gift of the Month for October is:**  
International Foods  
Masa, Dried Chiles, Sauces,  
Refried Beans, etc.)